

# House Armed Services Committee

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Ike Skelton, Ranking Member

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## House Appoints Conferees on Defense Authorization Bill for Fiscal Year 2005

*WASHINGTON D.C.— The House finally appointed conferees on the Defense Authorization bill for fiscal year 2005.*

The following Democratic members of the House Armed Services Committee were appointed:

Mr. Ike Skelton (MO), Ranking Member  
Mr. John Spratt (SC)  
Mr. Solomon Ortiz (TX)  
Mr. Lane Evans (IL)  
Mr. Gene Taylor (MS)  
Mr. Neil Abercrombie (HI)  
Mr. Marty Meehan (MA)  
Mr. Silvestre Reyes (TX)  
Mr. Vic Snyder (AR)  
Mr. Jim Turner (TX)  
Mr. Adam Smith (WA)  
Ms. Loretta Sanchez (CA)  
Mr. Baron Hill (IN)

“We are glad that this bill is finally moving through the legislative process. We are at war and the appointment of conferees is long overdue,” said Representative Ike Skelton (MO), Ranking Member.

“This bill ensures that service members obtain their pay raises, family housing, healthcare, and other troop benefits. With only a short time remaining before the House is scheduled to adjourn, we have our work cut out for us, but I am confident that all sides will work together for the good of our troops,” Skelton continued.

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